



STATE OF HAWAII
**CORRECTIONS POPULATION
MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**

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Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 24, 2001, 1:30 P.M.
Department of Public Safety

- Present: The Honorable Richard K. Perkins, Judge, First Circuit Court
The Honorable Peter B. Carlisle, Prosecuting Attorney, City and
County of Honolulu
The Honorable Nestor Garcia, Representative, Hawaii Legislature
Mr. Ted Sakai, Director, Department of Public Safety
Mr. Bryan Yee for Mr. Earl I. Anzai, Attorney General, Department
of the Attorney General
Mr. Dean Yamashiro for Mr. John Tonaki, Public Defender, State
of Hawaii
Mr. Ronald T. Hajime, Administrator, Adult Probation, First Circuit
Ms. June Lee for The Honorable Brian Kanno, Senator, Hawaii
Legislature
Mr. Peter Gellatly, President, Network Media and OOPS (Out of Prison
Services)
Ms. Serena Camara, T.J. Mahoney and Associates
- Staff: Ms. Martha Torney, Assistant to Deputy of Corrections, Department of
Public Safety
Mr. Quoc Le, Sentencing Simulation Model Project Manager, Department
of Public Safety
Mr. Joe Allen, Sentencing Simulation Model Project Research Statistician,
Department of Public Safety
- Guest: Lieutenant Kathy Ferreira for Assistant Chief Robert Au, City and County
of Honolulu
Dr. Pablo Martinez, Texas Criminal Justice Policy Council and consultant
for the Sentencing Simulation Model Project
- Excused: Mr. Alfred K. Beaver, Sr., Chair, Hawaii Paroling Authority

1. **Opening of the Meeting:** Meeting was brought to order by Ted Sakai.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes approved and seconded.
3. **Director's Report on Prison Population:** Mr. Sakai reported that there has been an increase in the prison population from January 1, 2001 to May 21, 2001 for both men and women. The population for men has increased by 4.2% (from 4316 to 4496) and the population for women has increased by 6.0% (from 482 to 511). The total for both populations increased by 4.4% (from 4798 to 5007).

There was discussion about the increases and overcrowding of the correctional facilities.

4. **Budget for the Fiscal Biennium 2001- 2003:** Discussion about the new state budget. Members were informed of the new substance abuse treatment imitative (\$2.2 million a year) for offenders at risk of being returned to custody. It is a joint effort of Department of Health, Judiciary, Department of Public Safety and Hawaii Paroling Authority. Nestor Garcia, Representative of the Hawaii Legislature, was thanked by the CPMC members for his effort to ensure that funds for substance abuse treatment was increased. It was also mentioned that funding for the drug courts had increased.
5. **House Bill 962 for the Sentencing Simulation Model Project:** House Bill 962, an appropriation bill to provide the state match for the Sentencing Simulation Model Project was passed through the legislature. Again, Representative Nestor Garcia was thanked for working very hard to ensure that this bill was passed.
6. **Sentencing Simulation Model Project:** The new SSMP staff was introduced and Dr. Pablo Martinez did a presentation on the status of the project. He discussed that hiring of the project staff has been done and all the equipment and furniture has been purchased. Mr. Quoc Le explained that missing data and inaccuracy of data are some problems that the project has encountered. Dr. Martinez suggested that a monthly monitoring system would be beneficial in order to help with the collection of data.

It was also mentioned that the Hawaii Paroling Authority's automated system does not provide the information necessary for the Sentencing Simulation Model and Mr. Le, the SSMP Leader has volunteered to help them establish a new system.

The need for establishing a common database for all criminal justice agencies was discussed. The state has been granted about six million from the federal government for integrating existing justice information systems. Hawaii County is the pilot site for this project.

7. **Facilities Space Analysis:** Ms. Torney presented the Women's Community Correctional Facility Effective Capacity Analysis. The following topics were covered in the presentation: Infrastructure, housing capacity, visiting, support services (food service and health care). Further analysis includes education, substance abuse treatment and the library in order to get the total facility capacity. It was mentioned that if the total facility capacity of housing is less than the infrastructure, then the housing capacity guides support services programs and visitation determination. If infrastructure is greater than housing then infrastructure becomes the guide.

Ms. Torney distributed the Women's Community Correctional Center effective capacity worksheet.

Mr. Sakai indicated that an additional Department of Public Safety internal review needs to be completed to arrive at the final recommendation.

Mr. Carlisle asked if work opportunities could be included in the analysis. Ms. Torney replied that this will be included in future analysis. Ms. Torney expressed to the commission that the program analysis was the most difficult to tackle. Education and substance abuse treatment capacities need to be re-examined.

8. **Meeting in August:** Ms. Torney inquired if the meeting in August could be scheduled for the last week of that month so that Dr. Pablo Martinez could attend. It was agreed upon by the Corrections Population Management Commission members and was scheduled for August 30th.
9. **Suggestion for next meeting:** Ms. Torney will continue with the presentation on the space facilities analysis.
10. **Closing of the Meeting:** Meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m.
11. **Next Commission Meeting:** Thursday, June 28, 2001, at 1:30 p.m. at the Department of Public Safety